

ALLIES 'SECOND DRIVE' SMASHES GERMAN LINES

INTER-ISLAND "MONOPOLY" SCORED BY MAUI CITIZENS IN HOT COMPLAINT

Emphatic Protest Against Rates and Service Made to Utilities Commission—Chamber of Commerce Sends Delegation to Honolulu—Hearing in Progress This Afternoon—Parker Ranch Objections Also Expected

(For testimony before the commission this afternoon see end of this article.) "We believe that because of the fact that the Inter-Island Steamship Company has a monopoly of the inter-island carrying business, it totally disregards the convenience of the public. . . . We believe that, considering the service given, the freight rates on general merchandise are extortionate. There are innumerable complaints as to service."—From Maui Chamber of Commerce's complaint to the Public Utilities Commission.

Rates and service of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company are under fire at a meeting of the Public Utilities Commission, which began at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

A committee from the Maui Chamber of Commerce has lodged perhaps the most emphatic complaint from a responsible organization ever made against the steamship company. The committee declares itself ready to furnish evidence to bear out its statements.

Chairman Forbes of the commission had subpoenaed several members of the Maui chamber to carry out the formality of insuring that they would appear at today's hearing. However, the committee men say that there is no necessity of subpoenaing them—they will be "on the job" to back their written complaints.

A. W. Carter, manager of the Parker ranch on Hawaii, was also expected to be present this afternoon to protest against the new freight and passenger rates of the steamship company. Attorney C. H. Olson, his counsel, recently asked a continuance of the hearing of the ranch's complaint until the manager could appear personally.

The Maui committee is composed of Harold W. Rice, chairman; Hugh Howell, J. Garcia, H. B. Penhallow and E. R. Bevington. It is acting as a result of a meeting of the Maui chamber, which passed a resolution protesting that the new rates are unwarranted.

The text of the committee's letter to the commission cites directly four specific causes of complaint. The letter is in full follows:

"Honolulu, Maui, Sept. 13, 1916. "Public Utilities Commission, Honolulu, Oahu.

"Gentlemen: At a meeting of a special committee of the Maui Chamber of Commerce appointed to represent the Maui Chamber of Commerce in considering the new tariff of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company and make representations on behalf of that body to your commission, which meeting was held on the 12th day of September, the new tariff and the service given by the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company were fully discussed and the committee on behalf of the Maui Chamber of Commerce wishes to make the following representations to your commission.

"First: Rates on Cattle "We believe that the raise on the freight on cattle from Kahului in view of the excellent shipping facilities is unwarranted, unreasonable and discriminatory. The freight rate on cattle from Kahului to Honolulu is \$5 per head, to which is added a wharfage charge of 50c per head. The cattle are driven on the steamer from the wharf and with practically no loss of time to the steamer. Mr. William Walsh, superintendent of the Kahului Railroad Company, informs this committee that on one occasion 52 head of cattle were loaded on the steamer Claudine at Kahului within 60 seconds after the time they were driven upon the wharf. This is of course the best time of which record has been kept, but Mr. Walsh further informs this committee that the average time for loading 50 head of cattle at Kahului is not more than 15 minutes, and that the loading is done with practically no risk of injury to the cattle.

"As a comparison attention is called to the fact that the rate on cattle from Kaupua is \$5 per head, where the cattle must be swum to the small boats, towed to the steamer and hoisted on the steamer by the steamer's crew, under which condition the time consumed and labor involved is very much greater.

"On account of the excellent facilities at Kahului a special rate prevails on pigs from Kahului to Honolulu and we believe that for the same reason the shippers of cattle from Kahului should be entitled to the same consideration.

"Second: General Merchandise "We believe that, considering the service given, the freight rates on general merchandise are exorbitant. There are innumerable complaints as to service. Claims for loss or damage in transit are absolutely ignored and no willingness to accommodate the shipping public in any particular.

"Third: Freight to Way Ports "The I. I. steamship Claudine consistently refuses to accept freight from Kahului for Hana and Kipahulu and way ports while accepting such shipments from Honolulu and this action works unjust discrimination against Maui merchants. As an instance, while this committee was in session a report came in from Mr. E. C. Mellor at Kipahulu, stating that he had just been informed by the officers of the I. I. steamship Claudine that he could expect no freight

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Late News At A Glance

PROHIBITION AND WOMAN SUFFRAGE WIN. NEW YORK, N. Y., Sept. 15.—British Columbia election returns assure a majority of 5000 for prohibition and woman suffrage.

CONGRESS FIRE FROM SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION. MARSHFIELD, Oregon, Sept. 15.—The hull of the burned steamer Congress will be towed to Portland. It is almost entirely burned out. Investigation has convinced experts that the fire was from spontaneous combustion. The passengers are being taken on a special train to Seattle.

GERMAN PRINCE KILLED: EIGHTH TO FALL. BERLIN, Germany, Sept. 15.—Prince Frederick, eldest son of Prince Frederick Charles of Hesse and nephew of the Kaiser, has been killed in France. He is the second Hesse prince to fall and seven other German princes have been killed in the war.

GRAND JURY HOLDS MEETING THIS AFTERNOON. At a meeting this afternoon of the territorial grand jury, the following cases are believed to have been investigated: Arita Sasume, assault with intent to commit murder; Henry K. Lonokapu, first degree murder, and Ah Sing, first degree burglary. A report was to be made to Circuit Judge Ashford at 4 o'clock.

RAILWAY STOCKHOLDERS ELECT DIRECTORS FOR YEAR. At the annual meeting of the Oahu Railway & Land Company called for 2 o'clock this afternoon the following directors were elected: F. Dillingham, H. M. von Holt, W. P. Dillingham, A. W. Van Valkenburg, H. G. Dillingham, C. H. Atherton, P. Muhlenberg, W. W. Chamberlain, A. W. T. Bottomley, all of Honolulu.

COMPLAINING BOYS SENT BACK TO SCHOOL. That McCarthy, a cook at the boys' industrial school, has a habit of "beating up" inmates occasionally, and that recently he nearly knocked a boy through a window, is the summary of a story told to Acting Juvenile Judge Ashford this afternoon by three boys, who escaped from the institution.

One of the boys says he informed members of a grand jury committee of the incident when they visited the school and, as a result, he was threatened with a beating by Supt. Frederick Anderson, who declared he would send the boy to jail "for 10 years" if he "squealed" to the juryman.

Judge Ashford told the boys to go back to the school and to write to him if they were not treated right. "You will be treated right if you behave yourselves," said the judge. "If I ever hear of the officers of the school intercepting a letter to the judge, there will be something doing."

NEW LITIGATION OVER IRWIN SITE REPORTED NEAR

Federal Office Hears Big Estate Planning to Dispute Claims of Other Respondents

That the next development in the Irwin site condemnation will be the filing by the W. G. Irwin Estate Co. of an answer to the claims of the various respondents who have replied to the government's petition, disputing their alleged interests in the site, is the information which has reached the office of Assistant U. S. Attorney Samuel B. Kemp.

Such an action would join the issue between the Irwin Estate and those respondents who have answered the government's petition for condemnation, and this, thinks Attorney Kemp, would mean a separate legal fight in the federal court.

There are 10 tracts in the entire site, and the claims filed to date affect only three. On the remaining seven tracts the title is undisputed—the title of the Irwin Estate to five, of W. T. Rawlins and wife to one, and the Spreckels Estate and Irwin Estate to one, jointly.

Should the Irwin Estate dispute the ownership of the other claimants Attorney Kemp's plan will be to arrange matters so that the government's right to condemn may be established, the money paid into the registry of the court and possession taken of the land. This would leave the way open for the claimants to "fight it out" regarding the proper division of the money.

"Such a plan, if worked out, undoubtedly would leave the government free to go ahead with the construction of the new federal building," Attorney Kemp says.

The first hearing of the suit to condemn the Irwin site is scheduled for early next month.

E. I. SPALDING NEW PRESIDENT OF GOLF CLUB

Officers of Oahu Country Club Elected This Afternoon at University Club

E. I. Spalding was elected president of the Oahu Country Club at a meeting this afternoon at the University Club. Spalding has been one of the most active members of the club and is an enthusiastic golfer.

Other officers chosen at the meeting today were: Dr. A. C. Wall, first vice-president; A. F. Judd, second vice-president; G. H. Buttolph, secretary, and Fred Waterhouse, treasurer. H. H. Walker was named as chairman of the greens committee and Fred Smith as the new chairman of the house committee. Directors of the club were elected at a meeting last evening at the Chamber of Commerce. They are H. H. Walker and A. C. Wall, re-elected, and A. F. Judd, new director to succeed George Angus.

ORIENTAL LINES WOULD COMBINE TO RAISE RATES

(Special Cable to Hawaii Hochi) TOKIO, Japan, Sept. 14.—A committee of directors of nine steamship companies in Hong-kong to negotiate with all ocean steamship companies in Japan for organization of a great union of steamship companies in the Orient. It is reported that the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, Nippon Yusen Kaisha and Osaka Shosen Kaisha will support the plan. It is also reported here today that these companies are planning to raise their freight rate on the American lines 5 per cent on pre-war charges after the formal organization of the union.

KAIMUKI RESIDENTS WANT BETTER ROAD

Residents of Kaimuki to the number of 17 have petitioned the board of supervisors to improve somewhat the present condition of Fifth Avenue, Kaimuki, makai of the Waiwae road, and also have requested that an electric light be installed at the junction of Fifth Avenue and Waiwae road so that the many people who travel that trail to reach their homes in that district beyond may be able to find it after dark.

PASSENGER FROM HAWAII DIES. (Special Cable to Nippon Jiji) TOKIO, Sept. 14.—Mikio Kimura, a woman passenger on the Tenyo Maru, which left the port of Honolulu, Sept. 1, was attacked by cholera at the port of Moji after she was landed.

GREEK SOLDIERS REFUSE ALLIES, GO TO GERMANY

Official Teuton Cablegram Tells of Action of Fourth Army Corps, Near Kavala

ENTENTE PRESSURE SAID TO HAVE ANGERED MEN Will Be Taken With Arms and Equipment to German Territory

An official German cablegram received today, dated September 13, declares that the 4th Greek army corps is to be taken to Germany, having refused to join the Allies and sought refuge with the German-Bulgarian force which recently went into Greek Macedonia. The despatch says:

"GERMAN HEADQUARTERS, Sept. 13.—German and Bulgarian troops have been forced to enter Greek Macedonia, counter-balancing Gen. Sarail's attacks. The fourth Greek army corps has remained behind the Bulgarian wing, which has advanced to the Struma. This army corps is fully equipped in Serez, Drama and Kapella.

"The measures of the Entente Powers were intended to make these Greek troops side with them or prepare them for a similar fate as that of the violated part of the troops of the 11st division, Saloniki. Free communication with Athens was checked, of course, the authorities were controlled and their requests refused arbitrarily by the Ententes.

"The commanding general of the 4th Greek army corps at Kavala was faithful to the will of the chief commander and the legal government, and tried to maintain neutrality, but in view of the unsupportable situation of the troops under his command, menaced by famine and disease, he was forced to proceed on his own authority, and on September 12 asked the German commander to protect his brave troops, loyal to their king, to go out before the pressure of the Ententes and take refuge with the Germans, securing lodging and food.

"In order to prevent any breach of neutrality it has been agreed with the commanding general to transport them to lodging places in Germany, the Greek troops going in the status of neutrals, with entire arms and equipment. They will enjoy hospitality there until their fatherland is free of invaders."

772 STUDENTS ARE ENROLLED IN BIG SCHOOL

Including Both Divisions, Punahou Now Has 140 More Pupils Than Last Year

Seven hundred and seventy-three students had enrolled in the two divisions of Punahou up to a late hour Thursday afternoon, according to figures given out at the school today. Of this number 250 are enrolled in Oahu College and 523 in the Punahou Preparatory school.

Two weeks after school opened last year the enrolment in the academy was 217. This shows a gain of 556 in the enrolment this year and it is expected that several more students will enter shortly, several now being on their way to Honolulu from the mainland.

In the preparatory school the enrolment at this time last year was 422. This shows a gain of 351 in the enrolment this year. One new teacher was added to the faculty of the academy this year, making a faculty of 15 regular and five special instructors. Classes in both divisions have begun work in earnest and indications are that the school year will be most successful.

BASEBALL RESULTS TODAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE. At Brooklyn—Brooklyn 8, Pittsburgh 1. At New York—Cincinnati 1, New York 0.

AMERICAN LEAGUE. At Cleveland—Cleveland 3, Philadelphia 2. At Detroit—Detroit 4, New York 3. At Chicago—Chicago 3, Washington 2. At St. Louis—Boston 8, St. Louis 3.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. W. L. Pct. Brooklyn 80 54 597 Philadelphia 77 55 584 Boston 75 54 581 New York 68 63 519 Pittsburgh 64 72 471 Chicago 62 76 449 St. Louis 59 79 428 Cincinnati 54 85 389

AMERICAN LEAGUE. W. L. Pct. Boston 79 58 576 Detroit 81 60 574 Chicago 79 62 560 St. Louis 74 65 532 New York 72 66 522 Cleveland 72 69 511 Washington 68 68 500 Philadelphia 30 106 221

POLITICS HASTENS RETURNS.

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shimpo). TOKIO, Sept. 15.—The present political situation of Japan hastens the emperor and empress' return to the palace from their summer vacation in Nikko. It is reported today that a general conference will be summoned as soon as his majesty returns to the palace.

EMPHATIC GAINS CLAIMED BY BRITISH ON WEST; FRENCH GET TRENCHES, ADVANCE PARALLEL

Day is Marked By Series of Sensational Charges—In Mesopotamia British Campaign Meets Setback—Bulgars Retire

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless) BRITISH FRONT IN FRANCE, Sept. 15.—At dawn today the British generals along the Somme launched the most powerful attack since the great drive which began on July 1.

It was supported by tremendous cannonading, millions of shells having been poured on the German lines before the British troops broke from their covers and charged cheering across the torn area.

The attack was made over a six-mile line from Thiepval to the junction of the British and French troops, and from this point the French took it up.

The British gained the whole ridge east of Thiepval through Ginchy, and all the second-line fortifications. They captured Fiers and arrived at the edge of Martinpuich. In their victorious assault they placed the two positions for which there had lately been much fighting, High Wood and Devil Woods, well behind. These places have been bloody shambles for weeks.

LONDON, Eng., Sept. 15.—With a series of determined and sensational charges this afternoon, after artillery preparation which poured a devastating flood of high explosives on the German trenches for hours, the British have broken the third line of German defense on a large part of the Somme sector.

The British soldiers, charging over the broken ground, captured the village of Fler (Fiers) two miles north of Ginchy, and gained the outskirts of Martinpuich, a mile and a half east of Pozieres.

British Troops Advance on 6-Mile Front

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless) LONDON, Eng., Sept. 15.—Returning to their attack on the Somme line today and opening up a vigorous offensive, the British troops charged on a sector six miles long.

Over this line they advanced from 2000 to 3000 yards and this afternoon the advance is continuing.

The British also captured a thousand yards of German trenches including a strongly fortified position southeast of Thiepval.

French Advance to Rancourt Trenches

PARIS, France, Sept. 15.—North of the Somme today the French won important victories. They captured a series of German trenches, advancing as far as Rancourt.

Two German attacks on the Verdun sector were repulsed.

On the Vardar front the Serbians today captured 25 cannon, and the Bulgarians were forced to retire 12 miles.

Allies Drive Back Enemy in Macedonia

PARIS, France, Sept. 15.—A series of successes on the Macedonian front have been won by the Allies in the last 24 hours of fighting. The French, British and Serbians have broken through the Bulgarian defenses.

The French with a dashing attack captured positions half a mile deep over a front of a mile long.

Greek Families Taken to Germany

BERLIN, Germany, Sept. 15.—The Berlin Vossische Zeitung says that the wives and children of officers of the 4th Greek army corps are being transported to Germany from Kavala, Greece, "to prevent the starving of the women and children by the Entente allies." This corps was cut off from communication with Athens by the Entente forces and is being taken to Germany as neutrals.

BRITISH YIELD GOODS WHEN U. S. FINES STEAMER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 15.—A fine of 50,000 pesos, imposed on the British steamer Chinese Prince through the customs department, will probably be remitted, satisfactory remedy having been secured. The steamer failed to deliver at Manila 2000 packages of goods consigned for American shippers and seized by the British at Penang. The British government has agreed to release the freight and transport it to Manila.

PASSENGERS ON SONOMA IN RAPID-FIRE ROMANCE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 15.—After a courtship aboard the liner Sonoma, Frederick Gardam, a passenger from Honolulu, today married Jeanette Emkhorb.

WILSON HURRYING TO DYING SISTER'S SIDE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) LONG BRANCH, N. J., Sept. 15.—President Wilson was advised today that his sister, who is seriously ill at New London, is sinking rapidly. He plans an immediate departure for her bedside.

Additional Telegrams furnished by the Associated Press.